

FISCAL NOTE

HB 495 - SB 1536

April 9, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that the death benefit amount covered under the Workers' Compensation Law will be 3 times the current death benefit amount that is paid to a deceased employee's dependents or estate if death resulted from a Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health violation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000/Claims Award Fund

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000

Estimate assumes:

- if one claim filed by a state employee falls under the provisions of the bill, the increase in state expenditures is estimated to exceed \$100,000 to the Claims Award Fund.
- a potential increase in local government expenditures to the extent that claims filed by employees of local governments come under the provisions of the bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director